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Following is text of reply made by Secretary on arrival Washington airport/
in answer to press query re Berlin.

BEGIN TEXT I have been reading the reports about the Berlin situation on the plane as I have returned and have spoken briefly with Acting Secretary Herter. I want to say very emphatically that there is no evidence at all of any disagreement as between the principal allied powers who have the responsibility on the allied side with the Federal Republic of Germany. Of course, we don't know yet what the Soviet intentions are. There have been a great many hints and suggestions about one thing or another but there is no clear position that has manifested itself. But I am confident that whatever the position is, whatever has manifested itself, it will be met with unity and with firmness. END TEXT.

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